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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Nguyen et al.

Serial No.: 09/768,665

Filed: January 24, 2001

Invention: System and Method for the  
Handling of System Management  
Interrupts in a Multiprocessor  
Computer System

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### RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED AUGUST 4, 2003

Commissioner for Patents  
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In response to the Office Action mailed August 4, 2003, Applicants submit this response and respectfully request reconsideration of the Examiner's objections and rejections.

#### Petition for Extension of Time

Applicants petition for a one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 up to and including December 4, 2003. A fee in the amount of \$110.00 for a one-month extension of time is included. Applicants hereby authorize and instruct the U.S. Patent and Trademark

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